



**A Community of Character**

**Caring**

*You feel and show concern for others.*



**Coffee with Dan**

Be sure to mark your calendars for the last coffee and conversation with Crown Point Mayor Dan Klein and guest speaker Center Township Assessor, Marty Wheeler. It will take place Dec. 18 from 9-10 a.m. at The Conservative Café. For information call 662-3290.

**4th Friday Arts**

A new venture for our downtown, the free event will take place every 4th Friday of the month, beginning in Jan., with art displays and pieces in participating businesses around the square. Also live art displays, light refreshments and interactive cultural fun for all during the event from 6-10 p.m. More details to follow in Jan., mark your calendars now for this event. Contact the Mayor's Office of Special Events at 662-3290.

**NWI Symphony Orchestra**

Attend The Holiday Pops: Happy Holidays Concert @ 7:30 p.m., Dec. 6 at the Star Plaza Theater. Contact NWI Symphony Orchestra at 219-836-0525, NISOchestra.org.

**CP Community Library Updates**

• **Friends of the CP Library Annual Chicago Bus Trip** will be on Dec. 4. Reservations taken at the Library Circulation Desk, \$20 pp. Call 663-0270 for information.  
• **Local storyteller, Grant Finch**, will be at the CP Library on Dec. 6 to perform Silly Santa Stories for children at 6 p.m. and Yuletide Favorites for teens and adults at 7:30 p.m. Call 663-0270 for info.

**Red Cross Blood Drive**

First Presbyterian Church, 225 S. Main St., will be having a Red Cross Blood Drive on Dec. 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Contact the church directly for any questions at 663-2255.

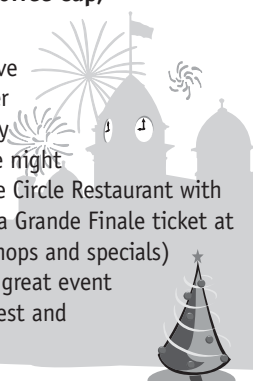
# THE HUB CITY MONTHLY

The City of  
Crown Point  
Newsletter



## Holiday Happenings: *Time to celebrate our "home town community spirit" with holiday events!*

- **SANTA & GANG:** Visit Santa every Sat. thru Christmas, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., then at 12 p.m. Mrs. Claus and Elie the Elf will join Santa in visiting all the children for free. Make sure to mark your calendars for a special appearance before they have to go back to the North Pole on Sun., Dec. 23 from 12-4 p.m. in the center of the Lower Level Shops. Remember to bring your camera. Contact the Mayor's Office of Special Events 662-3290.
- **FREE PACKAGE WRAPPING:** While you wait to see Santa stop by the Free Package Wrapping table in the center of the Lower Level Shops every Sat. thru Christmas, from 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. or until supplies run out. Presented by Mayor Klein's Office of Special Events and our local CP businesses. Only CP purchases with a receipt dated on same date of specific Sat. are valid. **Citizens Financial Bank** sponsored the Nov. 24 package wrapping and the Special Events Office would like to extend a big thank you for all of their help. This month we will have many more opportunities to get your CP purchases wrapped. Package Wrapping Sponsor schedule: Dec. 1 **The Healthy Back Clinic**, Dec. 8 **Amour Paris**, Dec. 15 **Dwellings Home Furnishings**, Dec. 22 **The Coffee Cup**, and Dec. 23 **Bapple & Bapple, Inc.**
- **ANNUAL GRANDE FINALE:** Crown Point's Annual family-friendly event on New Year's Eve will commence Dec. 31 from 6-9 p.m. featuring Magician Jerry Herzog, Dora the Explorer (and Boots) dance party, Kathy Jones face painting, Patti Max the B'loon Lady and many more surprises at South Shore Arts' CP location. Tickets: \$5 each and will be on sale the night of the event at South Shore Arts. The evening will also feature a jazzy club of fun at The Circle Restaurant with Marilyn Gaza headlining from 6-9 p.m. Admission to see Marilyn is free, but purchasing a Grande Finale ticket at South Shore Arts will entitle you to a buy-one-get-one-free entrée (minus steaks, ribs, chops and specials) at The Circle. All proceeds benefit future special event programs. Don't miss out on this great event with fireworks from 9-9:30 p.m. topping off the night (best place to view is from the West and North sides of the square). Contact the Mayor's Office of Special Events at 662-3290.



**Seniorfitness At Wittenberg**

Every Mon. and Wed. from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. and Fri. from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. is Seniorfitness at Wittenberg Lutheran Village. During the month of Dec., every Wed. at 11 a.m., Tai Chi classes will be offered in the Fellowship Hall in conjunction with the program. Contact 661-3364 for more information.

**CP Christian School's Holiday Bazaar**

On Dec. 6 from 6-9 p.m., join the CP Christian School, 10550 Park Place in St. John, for last minute shopping. Vendors to include Fake Fab purses, Gold Canyon candles, Mary Kay, Cookie Lee jewelry, Creative Memories, Southern Living at Home, Tastefully Simple and others. Bake sale, crafts, and fun for the kids. Proceeds benefit the CPCS music department.

**Business Before Hours**

A Business Before Hours session and 4th Anniversary Celebration will take place Dec. 7 from 8-9 a.m. at First Financial Bank. CP Christian School Choir; also refreshments and prizes. Call 226-2062 for information.

**Gift Cards Needed For St. Jude House Residents**

St. Jude House is in need of gift cards from gas stations, Target, Wal-mart, Jewel Foods, Strack & Van Til, Walgreens, Meijer or Westfield mall in any amount to help provide families fleeing domestic violence and sexual assault have a joyous Christmas. Those wishing to support St. Jude House by sponsoring a gift drive, items such as laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, pajamas (all sizes), diapers, personal products, and pre-paid phone cards are all welcome and badly needed. A Wish List of needed items is available by calling (219) 662-7066 X 17.

**Lessons and Carols Program**

Hosted by The CP Ministerial Assoc. on Dec. 2 at 6 p.m. in the CPHS Auditorium. Singing carols, readings from The Bible connected to the account of Christ's birth and more. While there is no admission, an offering for the Community Care Cupboard food pantry will be taken. For information contact Dave at First Christian Church at 663-1954.

**Dinner to Benefit Gary Homeless Shelter**

Rebuilding the Breach Ministries is hosting its 2nd Annual dinner and sacred concert to benefit The Bakery House on Dec. 9 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 250 S. Indiana Ave. The program begins at 4:30 p.m. with a reception and silent auction, sacred concert at 5:30 p.m. and then dinner at 6:15 p.m. Tickets at \$20 for adults and \$15 for senior citizens. Contact Dennis at (219) 887-1351.

**Trinity Lutheran Cookie Sale**

The Trinity Lutheran Church's Trinity League is hosting their annual holiday cookie sale on Dec. 15 from 10 am-1pm or until supplies last in the lower level of the Old Courthouse. Choose from either a 6oz or 9oz plastic box and all proceeds benefit the League.

**2007 Leaf Collection**

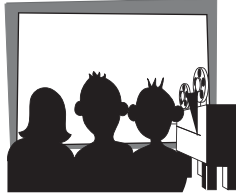
The CP Street Dept. continues leaf collection weather permitting, until December 21. Any questions on guidelines, listed in last month's HCM, please contact the Street Department at 662-3252.

## Crown Point Parks & Recreation News

### Kids Movie and Fun Night

Spend a Friday night with the stars. We're looking for kids to join us for a MOVIE and SNACKS!!! " *Movies are presented by Oasis Video.*

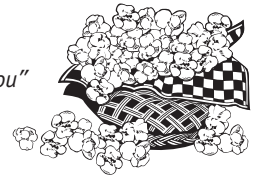
\$2 per child (for snacks and drinks)  
Crown Point Civic Center  
7:00 - to end of movie  
December 7 - "Ratatouille"



### 55 & Better Afternoon Movie

Come to the Civic Center and join some friends for a movie and some popcorn. Snack and drinks will be served for this FREE event.

FREE  
Crown Point Civic Center  
1:00 p.m. Thursdays,  
December 13 - "O' Brother Where Art Thou"  
January 10 - "Cinderella Man"



## CREATE-A-CLASS

- ★ **Do you** want to be more involved in your community?
- ★ **Do you** have an idea for a program/class for the Crown Point Parks?
- ★ **Maybe you** even have a class that you could teach?

The Crown Point Parks department is looking for ideas and instructors for new recreational classes. *If you have an idea or want to get involved let us know.* Fill out this form and turn it in to the Parks Department Office located at 1313 E. North St.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (Daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_  
Program Idea: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to instruct the program/class? Y\_\_\_\_ N\_\_\_\_

## PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out this form and send to:

City of Crown Point  
Parks & Recreation  
1313 E. North St.  
Crown Point, IN 46307

with a check made out to the City of Crown Point for the total amount of the programs.

If you would like to pay cash please come to 1313 E. North St.

If you have any questions please call (219) 661-2271.

Participants Name	Age	Program Name/Date	Fee
_____	_____	_____	_____
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### WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Whereas; certain citizens of the City of Crown Point, and other individuals, intend to take part in voluntary, group entertainment, activities and/or meeting programs;

THE UNDERSIGNED does hereby acknowledge that their participation in said entertainment, activity, and/or meeting program is strictly voluntary action on their part; that in the case that said program may pose a threat to their personal health; and that the undersigned will hold the City of Crown Point harmless from any and all claims, or whatsoever type and nature, arising from any injuries or other harm suffered from participation in said program. The undersigned further releases and indemnifies The City of Crown Point from any and all claims from participation in said program and further represents that said release from liability shall also bind their heirs, survivors, beneficiaries and representatives.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

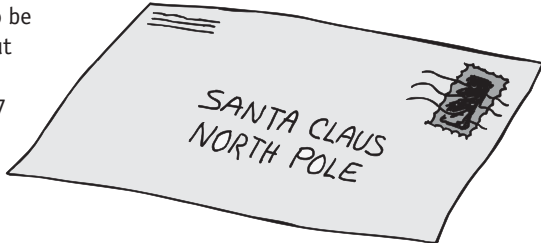
## Santa Letters

Have your children been asking you if Santa is real? If so, this might be a fun opportunity for you and your child. All you have to do is fill out a simple information form and a letter will be sent out to your residence in recognition of the holiday season signed by Santa. Forms available at the Crown Point Parks & Recreation Office (1313 E. North St.) or at our website: [www.crownpoint.in.gov](http://www.crownpoint.in.gov) (parks tab). All ages.

Crown Point Residents: \$3

Non-residents: \$5

Letters to be mailed out the week of Dec. 17



## Holiday House

Bring the family and join us for an afternoon of candy, graham crackers, icing, and fun. Each child will take home a holiday house for the whole family to enjoy. Sign up early, limited space available. Min. 10, Max. 25

Crown Point Residents: \$10

Non-residents: \$15

Crown Point Civic Center

11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Saturday, December 8

Reg. Deadline: Mon., Dec. 3



## Pilates

The Crown Point Parks Department and the Pilates Center of Northwest Indiana are joining together to offer a six-week Pilates class. This class will focus on strengthening the core muscles while increasing flexibility. These exercises work together to not only tone the muscles but help improve flexibility, posture and the functionality of the body. Participants will need to bring a traditional Yoga/Pilates mat and/or a towel to class daily.

Crown Point Residents: \$42

Non-residents: \$47

Crown Point Civic Center

7:30-8:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, January 15-February 19

**Or** Thursdays, January 17-February 21

Registration Deadline: Monday, January 14



## "Bump" Pilates

Similar to our regular mat Pilates class, "Bump" class is more intense. "Bump" class is geared toward gaining muscle strength as well as toning and improving flexibility. This class incorporates the use of light hand weights and an exercise ball. Participants must bring a towel and/or yoga mat, as well as two 3 lbs. weights and a "fit" exercise ball to class daily.

Crown Point Residents: \$42

Non-residents: \$47

Crown Point Civic Center

6:15-7:15 p.m.

Thursdays, December 6 - January 10

Registration Deadline: Monday, December 3



## Tumblebears

The Crown Point Parks Department and Tumblebear Gymnastics are teaming up to offer 4 week tumbling and gymnastics classes for children from infants to 12 years old. **Parent and Tot Gymnastics** (walking to age 3) is an interactive program for both parent and child that features a gymnastic program designed just for them. **Preschool Gymnastics** (age 3-5) will teach skills on balance beam, vault, bars, tumbling, and a variety of air trak and air mat equipment. **Cheerleading** (age 4-12) will teach cheers, motions, jumps, chants, and touch on tumbling. **School Age Gymnastics** (age 5-12) will concentrate on gymnastic skills, hand-eye coordination, rhythms, cooperative activities, and stunts.

Fee: \$40 (Pay day of class)

Crown Point Civic Center

Every Monday, (except Dec. 24 and 31)

**Parent and Tot Gymnastics** (walking-age 3).. 2:30-3:05 p.m.

**Preschool Gymnastics** (3-5)..... 3:10-3:45 p.m.

**Cheerleading** (4-12)..... 3:45-4:30 p.m.

**School Age Gymnastics** (5-12)..... 4:30-5:15 p.m.

For information call 865-9698



**The Crown Point Civic Center, located at 101 S. East St., offers the following senior activities:**

- **Low-Impact Exercise Class**, Every Mon, Wed, and Fri; 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
- **Bingo** Every first & third Tues; 10-11:30 a.m.
- **Bunco** Every second & fourth Tues; 10-11:30 a.m.
- **Pinochle** Every Tues 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- **Free Blood Pressure Screening**, Every second Tues; 1:00-2:00 p.m.
- **Line Dancing** Every Wed & Fri; 11-12:30 p.m.
- **Bridge** Every Wed and Fri; 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- **AARP Chapter 3210 Monthly Meeting**, Every fourth Mon; 12:30-3:30 p.m. Refreshments served after meeting

(Civic Center is not open on major holidays and for occasional special events)

**Upcoming** Dinner and Entertainment, movies, cooking classes, walking & much more!!!

**Civic Center Activities**

Mayor, Dan Klein

# December 2007

Clerk-Treasurer, Patti Olson



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To list an event in *The Hub City Monthly*: Call Jennifer Bzdil at 662-3290, Fax 661-2289 or E-mail jbzdl@crownpoint-in.gov • In addition to being included with the city utility bills, *The HCM* may be found at these locations: CP Library, offices of *The Times*, and *The Star*, Wittenberg Lutheran Village, Center Bank, Strack & Van Til Supermarket, The Southlake Resource Center, & Citizens Financial Bank. ★ **"EARLY" January Copy Deadline: Thursday, December 13** ★

## Upcoming in Next Month's Hub City Monthly:

4th Friday Arts, every 4th Friday of the month the downtown area transforms into an art gallery with interactive cultural fun for all. *Make sure to save the date for Jan. 25 from 6 to 10 p.m.*

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>6 p.m. Lessons and Carols @ CPHS Auditorium <b>2</b></p> <p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 2:30, 3:10, 3:45, 4:30 p.m. Tumblebears (Parks) 7 p.m. City Council Meeting</p>	<p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 2:30, 3:10, 3:45, 4:30 p.m. Tumblebears (Parks) 7 p.m. City Council Meeting</p> <p>CP Community Library annual Chicago Bus Trip <b>4</b></p>	<p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 11 a.m. Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall</p> <p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 11 a.m. Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall</p> <p>9 a.m. Board of Public Works 7 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission</p>	<p>6-9 p.m. CP Christian School Holiday Bazaar 6 p.m. CP Library Grant Finch (children) 7:30 p.m. CP Library Grant Finch (teen-adult) 7:30 p.m. NWI Symphony Holiday Pops Concert @ Star Plaza Theater</p> <p>8-9 a.m. Business Before Hours @ First Financial Bank 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 7 p.m. Kids Movie &amp; Fun Night (Parks)</p>	<p>8 a.m.-12 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg</p> <p>8 a.m.-12 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg</p>	<p>Holiday Happenings at the Old Courthouse: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Santa and Gang <b>1</b></p> <p>10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE PACKAGE WRAPPING sponsored by <i>The Healthy Back Clinic</i> (middle of the lower level shops until supplies run out) 11 am-1 p.m. Soups On @ St. Christopher Episcopal Church</p>
<p>8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive First Presbyterian Church 4:30 p.m. Dinner, Concert to Benefit Gary Homeless Shelter @ Trinity Lutheran Church <b>9</b></p>	<p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 2:30, 3:10, 3:45, 4:30 p.m. Tumblebears (Parks) 5:30 p.m. Redevelopment Commission meeting in the Council Chambers 7 p.m. Planning Commission</p>	<p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 11 a.m. Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall</p> <p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 11 a.m. Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall</p> <p>9 a.m. Board of Public Works 7 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission</p>	<p>1 p.m. 55 &amp; Better Afternoon Movie (Parks) <b>13</b></p> <p>8 a.m.-12 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg <b>14</b></p>	<p>8 a.m.-12 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg <b>21</b></p>	<p>Holiday Happenings at the Old Courthouse: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Santa and Gang 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE PACKAGE WRAPPING sponsored by <i>Dwellings Home Furnishings</i> (middle of the lower level shops until supplies run out) 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Holiday Cookie Sale <b>15</b></p>
<p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 2:30, 3:10, 3:45, 4:30 p.m. Tumblebears (Parks) <b>16</b></p>	<p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 2:30, 3:10, 3:45, 4:30 p.m. Tumblebears (Parks) <b>17</b></p> <p>9-10 a.m. Coffee With Dan @ The Conservative Cafe, with guest speaker Marty Wheeler, Center Township Assessor. <b>18</b></p>	<p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 11 a.m. Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall</p> <p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg 11 a.m. Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>1 p.m. 55 &amp; Better Afternoon Movie (Parks) <b>13</b></p> <p>8 a.m.-12 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg <b>14</b></p>	<p>8 a.m.-12 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg <b>21</b></p>	<p>Holiday Happenings at the Old Courthouse: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Santa and Gang 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE PACKAGE WRAPPING sponsored by <i>The Coffee Cup</i> (middle of the lower level shops until supplies run out) <b>22</b></p>
<p>Holiday Happenings at the Old Courthouse: 12 a.m.-4 p.m. Santa and Gang 12 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE PACKAGE WRAPPING sponsored by <i>Bapple &amp; Bapple, Inc.</i> (middle of the lower level shops until supplies run out) <b>23</b></p>	<p>8 a.m.-4 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg <b>24</b></p>	<p>CHRISTMAS DAY <b>25</b></p>	<p>7 p.m. Board of Zoning Appeals <b>27</b></p>	<p>8 a.m.-12 p.m. Seniorfitness @ Wittenberg <b>28</b></p>	<p>Holiday Happenings at the Old Courthouse: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Santa and Gang 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. FREE PACKAGE WRAPPING sponsored by <i>The Healthy Back Clinic</i> (middle of the lower level shops until supplies run out) 11 am-1 p.m. Soups On @ St. Christopher Episcopal Church <b>1</b></p>
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